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FM AMEMBASSY KIGALI
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6068
AMEMBASSY BONN
AMEMBASSY ACCRA
AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

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DEPT FOR A/SY/OPS/FO AND NSU; ACCRA FOR RCO AND COMSPEC;
NAIROBI FOR CRO/RCO; BONN FOR BAX SUPV

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: AFAC, ASEC
SUBJECT: AFRECON

1. GOR HAS OFFICIALLY APPROVED EMBASSY KIGALI AFRECON
CONSTRUCTION BY NOTE DATED 21 APRIL RECEIVED BY EMBASSY
27 APRIL. THEY REQUEST THAT CERTAIN ADDITIONAL TECHNICAL
INFORMATION BE PROVIDED, CHIEFLY TO ASSURE THAT OPERATION
OF EMBASSY RADIO SYSTEM WILL NOT INTERFERE WITH OTHER
APPROVED RADIO OPERATIONS IN RWANDA. ANNUAL LICENSE FEE
OF APPROXIMATELY \$150 WILL BE CHARGED. EMBASSY SEES NO
DIFFICULTY COMPLYING WITH GOR CONDITIONS AND PROCEEDING
WITH INSTALLATION.

2. BY SAME NOTE, GOR AGREES TO ASSIGNMENT OF MARINE
SECURITY GUARD DETAIL FOR THE PERIOD REQUIRED DURING CON-
STRUCTION. (EMBASSY REQUESTING DEPARTMENT ARRANGE
ASSIGNMENT VIA SEPTTEL.)

3. IN RECENT WEEKS EMBASSY HAS DISCUSSED EQUIPMENT BREAKDOWN
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THAT HAS HALTED OUTWARD TRANSMISSION SINCE FEBRUARY WITH
MINISTER, SECRETARY GENERAL, AND DIRECTOR GENERAL OF COMMUNICA-
TIONS, AND WITH FONMIN OFFICIALS. WE HAVE SENT OFFICIAL
LETTER REQUESTING REPORT ON STATUS AND PLANS, BUT DIRGEN/COMMUNICA-

TIONS,
ONLY OFFICIAL WHO CAN ORGANIZE RESPONSE, HAS BEEN ABSENT

ON VACATION SEVERAL WEEKS, RETURNING NEXT WEEK. SECGEN, NEXT
MORE SENIOR OFFICIAL, TELLS US THAT TECHNICIANS HAVE BEEN
INSTRUCTED REPEATEDLY TO DO THEIR BEST TO RESTORE SERVICE.
HE SAYS THAT IN ADDITION TO FACT THAT EQUIPMENT IS OLD
AND OBSOLESCEMENT AND IRREPLACEABLE AT SHORT NOTICE, HE QUESTIONS
ABILITY OF TECHNICIANS THEMSELVES. EMBASSY COMMENT: WHAT THE
SECGEN SAYS IS TRUE, IF EMBARRASSINGLY CANDID. WHETHER OR NOT
LOCAL PTT HAS ALWAYS JUMPED WHEN WE CALLED IS LARGELY IRRELEVANT;
THEY HAVE PRACTICALLY NO MEANS TO CARRY OUT THEIR COMMITMENTS
WHEN TECHNICAL TROUBLE OCCURS. WE FAULT THEM ONLY FOR
OCCASIONAL EVIDENCE THAT THEY HAVE MADE LESS THAN WHOLE-
HEARTED EFFORT TO REPLACE NONFUNCTIONING PART WHEN THEY KNEW
WE WOULD BE RETURNING UNTP TO THEM PERMANENTLY AS SOON AS
AFRECON BECAME FUNCTIONAL.
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